

US ENVIRONMENTAL AGENCY, REGION II
PROGRESS POLLUTION REPORT

I. HEADING

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SUBJECT: Bayonne Barrel and Drum. Newark,
Essex County, New Jersey

POLREP No: Two (2), Progress POLREP

II. BACKGROUND

Site Number: 9J
Response Authority: CERCLA
Delivery Order Number: 2001-02-039
NPL Status: Non-NPL
Action Memorandum Status: verbal authorization granted
on July 14, 1994, draft Action Memo was submitted on
July 26, 1994
Start Date: July 14, 1994

III. INCIDENT INFORMATION

See initial POLREP

IV. REMOVAL INFORMATION

A. Actions Taken

1. ERCS continued to work on the removal and stabilization of the drums in building number 2. To date 228 drums have been removed from the building, sampled, their labels and marking documented (if any), overpacked, marked and staged. Field analysis (hazcatting) indicates the presence of organics, corrosives, oxidizers and ignitables.

Because the site has a documented history of PCB contamination, a composite matrix screening for PCBs has been established and initiated. If successful the cost of PCB analysis will be reduced by an estimated 40%.

2. Health and Safety Audits were conducted by both TAT and ERCS personnel.
3. Efforts to determine the present and legal owner/owners of the property are being made by ORC and the Program Support Branch.

B. Next Steps

Activities to secure and stabilize the site will continue. These activities will include the collection of drummed material, the removal of material in the tanks, stabilization of the ash piles, repair of the fence and addition of gates and maintaining 24 hour site security.

A community relations plan and administrative record are presently being drafted and will be available shortly.

C. Key Issues

Due to the deteriorated condition of the drums and leakage onto the building floor the collection of drums from building number 2 has been slowed. Measures to control and collect leaked material have been instituted.

Above average temperatures and humidity has required the institution of a heat stress monitoring program and frequent breaks for the crew. This has significantly slowed response activities.

V. COST INFORMATION

Mitigation Contracting	\$91,815
TAT	\$6,200
Intramural	\$4,500
Total	\$102,515
Project ceiling	\$200,000
Percent of Funds Remaining	49%